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Jean-Marie AUBRY et al. : Docket No. 2001-1443A
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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 13, 2002, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 26 on page 3 through line 26 on page 4 of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

Accordingly, substrates which may be used are the following compounds: olefins which contain one or more, i.e. up to 10, preferably up to 6, particularly preferably up to 4, C=C double bonds; electron-rich aromatics, such as C₆-C₅₀, preferably up to C₃₀, particularly preferably up to C₂₀, phenols, polyalkylbenzenes, polyalkoxybenzenes; polycyclic aromatics having 2 o 10, preferably up to 6, particularly preferably up to 4 aromatic rings; sulfides, such as, for example, alkyl sulfides, alkenyl sulfides, aryl sulfides which are either mono- or disubstituted on the sulfur atom, and heterocycles having an O, N or S atom in the ring, such as, for example, C₄-C₅₀, preferably up to C₃₀, particularly preferably up to C₂₀, furans, C₄-C₅₀, preferably up to C₃₀, particularly preferably up to C₂₀, pyrroles, C₄-C₆₀, preferably up to C₃₀, particularly preferably up

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